IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please cancel claims 1-11, 13-15, 19-20, and 22-28 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend claims 12 and 29 as follows:

LISTING OF CURRENT CLAIMS

Claims 1-11. (Canceled)

Claim 12. (Currently Amended) An elongated rope light, comprising: an elongated mounting strap including an elongate, axial groove and two side ridges;

a first and a second electric wires longitudinally extended along the ridges;

a first and a second illuminating units on the groove, each illuminating unit being electrically coupled between the electrical wires, and including a plurality of LEDs fixed on a circuit board wherein the LEDs in each illuminating unit are electrically coupled together in series by connecting conductive wires therebetween; the first LED is electrically coupled to a positive terminal of the illuminating unit; the last LED is electrically coupled to a negative terminal of the illuminating unit; a positive terminal of the first illuminating unit is electrically coupled to the first electrical wire, and a negative terminal thereof is electrically coupled to the second electrical wire, and a negative terminal of the second illuminating unit is electrically coupled to the second electrical wire, and a negative terminal thereof is electrically coupled to the first electrical wire; and

an outer cover layer for enclosing the the first and the second electrical wires, and the first and the second illuminating units by means of injection molding,

whereby applying a positive voltage to the first electrical wire with respect to the second electrical wire will lighten up the first illuminating unit with the second illuminating unit off, applying a positive voltage to the second electrical wire with respect to the first electrical wire will lighten up the second illuminating unit with the first illuminating units off.

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Claims 13-15. (Canceled)

Claim 16. (Original) The rope light of claim 12, wherein the rope light has a section of square.

Claim 17. (Original) The rope light of claim 12, wherein the rope light has a section of flat rectangle.

Claim 18. (Original) The rope light of claim 12, wherein the rope light has a section of oval.

Claims 19-20. (Canceled)

Claim 21. (Original) The rope light of claim 12, wherein the LED is a plate-shaped LED, COB (chip on board) type LED, SMD (surface mounting) LED, or LED dice bonding fixed on a circuit board by soldering extended conductive wires of the LED on the circuit board.

Claims 22-28. (Canceled)

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Claim 29. (Currently Amended) The rope light of claim 1, An elongated rope light, comprising:

two or more electrical wires longitudinally extended therealong; and one or more pairs of first and second illuminating units, each pair being electrically coupled between any two electrical wires, each illuminating unit including a plurality of LEDs, and the first and the second illuminating units in each pair being connected in parallel;

whereby applying an AC between any two electrical wires sequentially will lighten up the first and the second illuminating units in each pair alternately by enabling current to flow through the LEDs in each illuminating unit toward a predetermined direction when the LEDs are conducted,

wherein the LED is a plate-shaped LED, COB (chip on board) type LED, SMD (surface mounting) LED, or LED dice bonding fixed on a circuit board by soldering extended conductive wires of the LED on the circuit board.